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ADP BULLETIN

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PURPOSE

Effective January 1, 1998, California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) recipients that receive alcohol and other drug (AOD) treatment services as required by their welfare-to-work plan may have those services billed to and reimbursed by CalWORKs funding which is available through the Drug/Medi-Cal (D/MC) Program. The purpose of this bulletin is to distribute instructions for submitting D/MC claims for reimbursable AOD services provided to CalWORKs recipients.

DISCUSSION

The Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) is negotiating an interagency agreement with the Department of Social Services (DSS) for funding for CalWORKs recipients who have a welfare-to-work plan for AOD services which may be billed through the D/MC Program. The interagency agreement stipulates that DSS will provide \$1.5 million State General Fund to ADP to match \$1.57 million Federal Financial Participation (FFP) for eligible D/MC services provided to CalWORKs recipients between January 1, 1998, and June 30, 1998.

It is important that AOD treatment services be billed to the appropriate funding source. If the CalWORKs recipient has been referred for AOD treatment services as part of that person's welfare-to-work plan and those services are reimbursable through the D/MC Program, a D/MC claim specifying payment by CalWORKs may be submitted. The D/MC services must be provided in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 3 which defines reimbursable services and specifies that services must be medically necessary.

If the welfare-to-work plan requires the CalWORKs recipient to receive AOD services but those AOD services are not reimbursable through the D/MC Program, the appropriate CalWORKs funding source must be used for reimbursement. If a CalWORKs recipient is not referred to AOD treatment as part of their welfare-to-work plan but is otherwise eligible for the D/MC service, a regular D/MC claim may be submitted.

The D/MC Eligibility Worksheet (ADP 1584) and the Monthly Claim for D/MC Reimbursement and Monthly Provider Service and Revenue Summary (ADP 1592) are to be used to submit claims for D/MC services provided to CalWORKs recipients. The claim and summary forms for CalWORKs recipients must be completed separately from regular D/MC Program claims and summary forms. If diskettes or tapes are used to submit D/MC claims, separate diskettes or tapes must be submitted for CalWORKs claims. This distinction will ensure the claims are appropriately paid from the ADP/DSS interagency agreement.

REFERENCES

Public Law 104-193 (Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996)

Assembly Bill 1542 (Welfare-to-Work Act of 1997)

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HISTORY

Not applicable

QUESTIONS/MAINTENANCE

If you have questions regarding processing D/MC claims or status of payment for services provided, please call the D/MC Claims Section analyst assigned to your county or contract.

EXHIBITS

None

DISTRIBUTION

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